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Did an UFO land in this ultra modern Spazio Shopping Center in the City of Zoetermeer, South Holland? No, it is just another example of the way, Dutch planners and architect go about building modern Cities. More on this unique I.T. City of Zoetermeer on pages 20 and 21.

Social Functions Calendar & Clubhouse Details

The following upcoming Neerlandia Functions and Events will be organised by Neerlandia at the Rhein Donau Club in Myaree.

Important: The entries below are an indication only of what events are planned during the coming months. For more accurate information, ***always*** refer to the larger advertisements inside this magazine or contact the appropriate person of the Sub-Club concerned, as displayed on the second last page.

Calendar of upcoming Neerlandia Events held at the RDC, unless shown as External.

January 2019:

Friday 18	<u>Combined Drinks at the RDC</u>	6pm
Wed 30	<u>Wednesday Card Club</u>	10am
Thursday 31	<u>Neerlandia's Seniors' Club</u>	10am
Thursday 31	<u>Thursday Night Card Club</u>	7pm

February 2019:

Sunday 3	<u>Sunday Klaverjas Drive</u>	11.00am
Monday 4,11,18,25	<u>Hollandia Billiard Club</u>	9.30am
Sunday 10	<u>Family Ice Skating</u> (See page 3)	
Wed 6,13,20,27	<u>Wednesday Card Club</u>	10am
Wednesday 6,20	<u>Wednesday Bingo</u>	11am
Thursday 7,14,21,28	<u>Thursday Night Card Club</u>	7pm
Thursday 14,28	<u>Neerlandia's Seniors' Club</u>	10am
Friday 22	<u>Maas & Waal Borrel Night</u>	6pm
Sunday 3	<u>Kids Carnival</u> (at the RDC)	

March 2019:

Sunday 3	<u>Sunday Klaverjas Drive</u>	11.00am
Sunday 10	<u>Electronics Club</u>	
Monday 4,11,18,25	<u>Hollandia Billiard Club</u>	9.30am
Wed 6,13,20,27	<u>Wednesday Card Club</u>	10am
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Friday 29	<u>Maas & Waal Borrel Night</u>	6pm

Clubhouse details:

Neerlandia is using the Rhein-Donau Clubhouse for all their activities.

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Members on second last page.

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President's Report & Ditjes and Datjes



Medelanders,

First of all, a Happy New Year to you all and may this year bring you all you have wished for.

What a busy December it has been. Great to see you all at our Rottneest trip, the Christmas lunch and the Andre Rieu concert in the Innaloo Theatre. Reports on those activities can be found inside this magazine or on our website.

With the Festive season over, it is time to focus on the year ahead and all upcoming activities already planned by Henk Oorschot and Machiel van der Stelt.

It was great to have a much needed break from work.

Recently I have been made aware that there are exciting changes pending, regarding Dutch Passport applications (currently only done in Sydney).

With no exact date set or any details provided as yet, it has been mentioned, that we will be able to apply for Passports again in Perth sometime during 2019.

As more information comes to light, I will keep you all posted, as this would be a big improvement for many.

For now, keep safe and I hope to see you all again soon.

Eric van Waaijenburg,
President.

**NEERLANDIA WELCOMES
THE FOLLOWING NEW
MEMBER.**

Danielle Berry

Ice Skating with Pea Soup and Hot Chocolate.

When: February 10, 2019 from 3:00pm – 4:30pm.

Where: Xtreme Ice Arena

15 Chesterfield Rd

Mirrabooka WA 6061

Join the Neerlandia Junior Club on a fun “Family Ice Skating” afternoon for young and old. (at a different location this time.)

Participation in this event is at your own risk.

A free Hot Chocolate and Dutch Pea Soup will be offered to Neerlandia and The Rhein-Donau Club Members.

We will start the afternoon with Pea Soup, which will only be served in the reserved rooms from 2:30pm to 3pm.

Ice Skating will take place from 3pm to 4:30pm. The costs are \$10 per person, which does include skate hire.

If you want to hire a support Penguins for while Ice Skating, that will cost you an extra \$5.

https://www.dutchclubwa.com/?ailec_event=ice-skating-with-pea-soup-and-hot-chocolate&instance_id=76

For more details about entry prices and registration please contact, Machiel van der Stelt machiel.vanderstelt@stelt-technologies.com.au or: <http://worldlibrary.org/Authors/mvdstelt>
Machiel.

NEERLANDIA 2019



CAMPAIGN

The Campaign is up and running with the Thursday Night Card Club now also collecting. In February the Billiard Club and the Dutch Singers will also join in on this Campaign making it an all Club effort for our sick kids.

Our total has now increased from \$342,55 to a new level of **\$489.90 !!!**

This is something our Club can be proud of, contributing to Telethon.

**Henk Oorschot,
Event Coordinator.**

EASTER BRUNCH.

Neerlandia Members and their Guests are cordially invited to join us for the

EASTER BRUNCH

on

Sunday 14th April

at the Rhine-Donau Club
110 North Lake Road
Myaree.



10.30am—12.30pm
(Doors open 9.30am)



Members \$10
Guests \$20



Please purchase tickets by contacting:

Henk Oorschot on 9256 1977, henkoorschott@bigpond.com
or Freda Hovingh on: 9446 0240



**The Committee is looking forward to welcoming you
all at the Easter Brunch on 14th of April at the RDC.**

Editorial.

When you receive this magazine, the various sub-Clubs are about to restart their activities for 2019. They all seem to be going extremely well, with most Clubs benefitting from an increase in their Membership.

Magazine.

You may find that the first three magazines for the year 2019 could be reduced to 24 pages. This is happening as Joke and I will be going on holidays from 11 February until 9 March 2019.

As this holiday will involve going on a cruise for most of that time, I will not be able to do any work on the magazine, as I will not have internet access onboard. However, with some planning and co-operation from the various contributors, I am very positive that you will get the next 3 printed- or your E-copy Magazines on time.

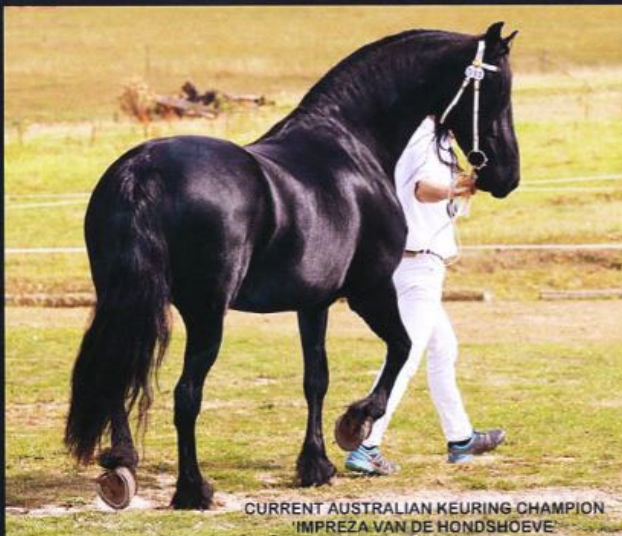
Pieter Leeftang. (Editor)

Friesian Horses.

On Wednesday 3rd April these magnificent Friesian Horses will be put through their paces, evaluated and tested (Keuring) by experts flown in from the Netherlands. This spectacular show will be partly sponsored by the Neerlandia Dutch Club and they would like Neerlandia Members to attend on the day. More information on the time, mode of transport, catering facilities and other arrangements will follow in our March Magazine, as well as some more photos and articles on these Friesian horses.

THE AUSTRALIAN FRIESIAN HORSE SOCIETY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE KFPS
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The UEFA Nations League



European Soccer. The UEFA Nations League.

Questions have been asked, what the newly formed European Nations League is all about.

Following a brief Explanation:

The rejuvenation of National Team Football – and the UEFA Nations League, stems from the desire of UEFA and its 55 Member Associations, to improve the quality and standing of National Team Football. (Interland wedstrijden)

UEFA and its Associations wanted more meaning in National Team Football, with Associations, coaches, players and supporters increasingly of the opinion, that friendly matches are not providing adequate competition for their National Teams.

Following the results of those discussions:

..# The format of the UEFA Nations League features promotion and relegation.

..# The 55 European national teams have been divided into four **Leagues**, A, B, C and D in accordance with UEFA's rankings of 11 October 2017.

..# League A includes the top-ranked sides and League D includes the lowest.

..# There are 12 teams in **League A**; 12 teams in **League B**; 15 teams in **League C**; and 16 teams in **League D**.

..# In each league, four **Groups** are formed (three or four teams in each **Group**) and teams play each other both home and away.

..# In **League A**, the top League, the 4 **Group** winners will play in the **Nations League Finals**. There will be two semi finals; and one match for the third and fourth place decider; *and one final to decide which team becomes the UEFA Nations League Champion.*

Teams can also be promoted and relegated to a higher or lower **League**. Each **Group** winner, (there are four **Groups** in each **League**), is automatically promoted to the next higher **League** for the next tournament. Except for **League A**, who will go on to play in the **Nations League Finals**.

Each team that finishes last in its **Group**, is automatically relegated to the next lower **League**.

Matches would take place on dates on the International match calendar, that are currently

allocated for international friendlies and would not affect the FIFA World Cup or UEFA European Championship.

The first tournament began in September 2018, following the 2018 FIFA World Cup. The four **Group** winners from **League A** qualified for the finals, to be played in Portugal in June 2019.

Four nations, one from each **League**, will also qualify for the UEFA Euro 2020 finals.

Results so far for the Netherlands:

*They scraped into **League A** (12th) and then drew France and Germany. Against France they lost away 2-1 and won at home 2-0; against*



Germany the Dutch won 3-0 at home and drew 3-3 away.

*They won their **Group** on goal average.*

The 2019 UEFA

Nations League Finals features the winners of the four **Groups in **League A**:**

Group 1: **Netherlands**

Group 2: **Switzerland**

Group 3: **Portugal** (hosts)

Group 4: **England**

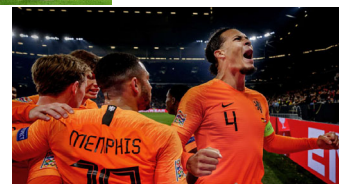
Semi-finals:

Wednesday 5 June: Portugal v Switzerland (Estádio do Dragão, Porto)

Thursday 6 June: **Netherlands v England**

(Estádio D. Afonso Henriques, Guimaraes)

Peter L. (obtained from the internet)



Holland-Germany 3-0.



Stuff Dutch People Like

“Stuff Dutch People Like” is a column written by an Expatriate living in the Netherlands. This amusing column observes the Dutch in their everyday life. We hope that you enjoy reading “Stuff Dutch People Like” as much as we do. The blog is available via the internet.



Dating in the Netherlands.

Valentine's Day is coming very soon, although you probably don't really care too much about this holiday if you're Dutch. Because in the Netherlands, it's really not that big a deal.

Their down to earth ways prevent the Dutch from getting all caught up in this fuzzy, romantic, somewhat commercial day. There is no need for it (their opinion, not ours), and the Dutch feel like this day made its way over the Atlantic through films and television series'. We have heard that secretly Dutch women would love to get bouquets of roses, but they don't really expect it (or maybe just have lowered expectations?). I hear you thinking: "Does romance not exist in the Netherlands then? Well, of course it does, but dating is definitely different over here. So, here's a quick guide to dating the Dutch way".



Not wasting time.

We all know how the Dutch love efficiency; their dating ways are no different. Both the men and women won't appreciate it, if you're playing games with them. If you're not interested, that's fine but say so, don't lead someone on or disappear into thin air. It may be very direct and honest, but at least this way nobody is wasting time. So playing "hard to get" might not get you anywhere in the Lowlands!

Go for it.

In America, the UK, and many other countries, there is a certain code or tradition where men are expected to make the first move. Well, when it comes to dating etiquette, things are certainly more progressive and straightforward in the Netherlands! Whether you're a man or woman, if you want something you just go for it. There are no rules about who calls first after your date or how long you should wait before your first kiss. A lot of the Dutch dating culture is based on instinct, when it feels right, it must be right.



Dating Dutch Style.

but not in the Netherlands. Here things are far more casual, just like their day-to-day attire. A miniskirt, high heels, or a three-piece suit are just not as practical when you have to cycle to your date in the rain. Don't see it as an insult if your date shows up wearing sneakers. The Dutch are just practical like that.

So, don't get discouraged if you think these Dutchies are not romantic enough. It might take some time to get used to this style of dating but really, it's a breath of fresh air and nobody is going to waste your time. Now, all we want to know is: "Have you been on a Dutch date yet and did it involve splitting the bill?"

Going Dutch.

As much as there are no codes about when things 'should' happen, there is one rule the Dutch tend to stick to and that is splitting the bill, better known as 'Going Dutch'. Don't be surprised if your date suggests that you pay for your own dinner. And it's something you better get used to, as they do this on the first date, the second date and basically every date until you have a shared bank account and it's not necessary anymore!

A casual affair.

Dressing up for a date is normal in a lot of countries,



Dating Dutch Style.

End of year Concert



The Dutch Singers ready to launch their 2018 End of Year Concert at the RDC.

On Sunday 9th December 2018 we held our usual End of Year concert at the Rhein-Donau Club, which had kept us busy for months with rehearsals. It was well attended and the feedback received was very positive.

With the Dutch Singers there were many exciting artists and many up and coming musicians.

First up was a trio of stringed instruments, double bass and violins, played by three members of the Reitzenstein family: Kate, Christine and Emma.

A viola was played adeptly by 16 year old girl Sadaef, who introduced us to some Iranian music.

Bowie, at the age of only 9 years, showed his proficiency in playing the classical guitar. Yet another instrument, the Ukelele, was played by Cameron, grandson of John Aufdemkampe, singing his own composition, which was a tribute to his Opa.



Cameron, tribute to his Opa. Glen Vandenberg.

Finally we can't forget the wizardry of the bagpipe player, Lewi, who never fails to impress us with his ability. Our thanks go to all the visiting musicians for their time and their devotion to performing with us. Of course our big thank you to Hazel Potts for arranging such a varied concert.



If I were a rich man.....

End of year Concert



Gerry Creemers on duty collecting entrance tickets. And this a few days before she moved permanently to Brisbane. But fulfilling her Choir commitments till the very last moment. Typical example of what Gerry stood for. From everyone, thank you Gerry and go with our very best wishes.



Bowie on classical Guitar.



Sadaef played interesting Iranian music.



Soloists get thank-you rewards.



Arranger and Pianist Hazel.



Kate, Christina and Emma.

Neerlandia Seniors' Club

Welcome to the Neerlandia Seniors' Club page.

On Thursday the 6th of December we enjoyed our last Seniors' day of the year and what a day it was. Two lots of coffee and cake, singing for all those who had their Birthdays in December and, as you can see, 65 Members were present.

Every body played their usual games and after our lunch, **there was a monster raffle. (see photo below) It took a long time to draw all the prize winners. Sytske Staats was the lucky one as she won 5 prizes.**

And then to top it all off, every Member received their Christmas parcel to take home in a red bag, containing **11 items**, including a bottle of Advokaat !!

The Committee, including our new Members Toon and Hanny Kamps, were than thanked for all the work they had done during the year, making our Seniors Club so successful.

They will be meeting on Tuesday 8th of January to plan ahead for 2019 !!!

59 Members on Thursday 22nd November. 65 Members on Thursday 6th December.



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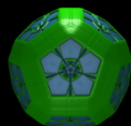
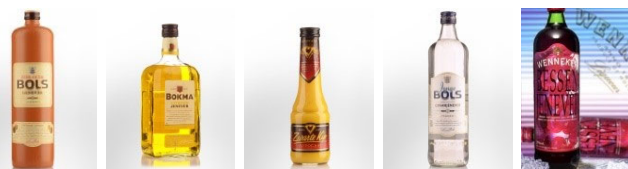
And of course, plenty of the thick,

Zwarte Kip Advocaat - \$20 for 500ml.

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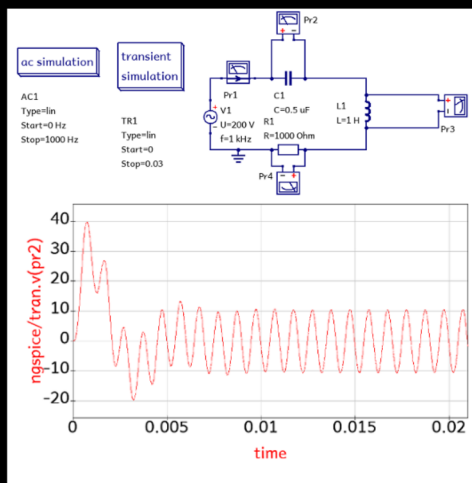
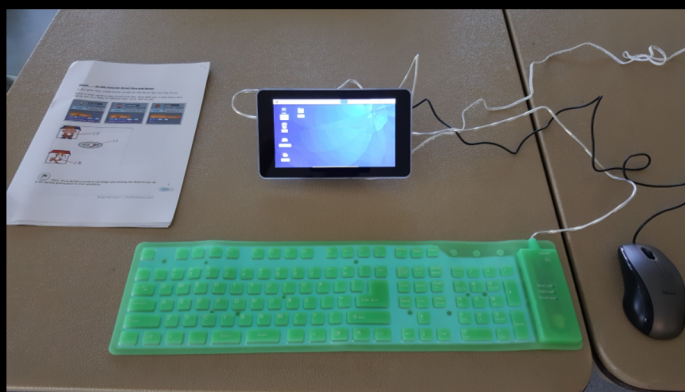
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Sint Nicholas Celebrations



Sint Nicholaas Celebrations.

On December 2nd Neerlandia Dutch Club together with the Language One School and the Dutch Play Group organized an fantastic Sint Nicolaas party at be Quintillian School in Perth.

A few hundred children (and guardians) had assembled to see Sint-Nicolaas and his Black Piets arrive. Eventually the Sint did so in style, on a horse, surrounded by his many Piets.

The Sint met many Happy Children as they were called onto the stage, where he sat.

It was a well organized event with lots of singing and dancing, in which everyone participated.

There were also some stalls, from which people could buy food and drinks.

After two hectic hours a tired Sint Nikolaas left, this time in style in a shiny Mini Cooper.

Thanks to everyone involved in organizing this great event.

Please enjoy a few edited videos and photo compilations with Sinterklaas music of this great Sinterklaas party on our website. https://www.dutchclubwa.com/?page_id=459

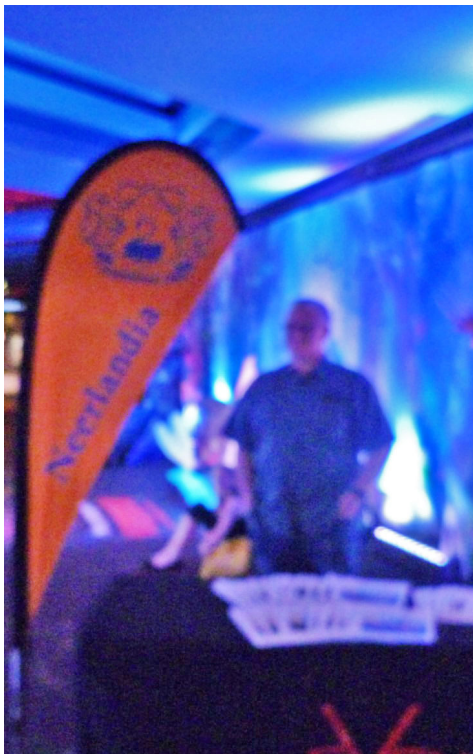


André Rieu Concert

Neerlandia Members at the André Rieu Concert in the Event Cinemas in Innaloo.



The Australian Celebration at the Sydney Town Hall.



Eric van Waaijenburg with the Neerlandia Banner.

About 100 Members enjoyed a marvellous Concert at the Event Cinemas in Innaloo on Sunday 16th December. On the screen was the amazing show performed at the Sydney Town Hall and beamed all around the world. If you were not there, you missed out on a very spectacular show that André Rieu and his “Johan Strauss Orchestra” put on. The whole interior of the Sydney Town Hall was impressive with the majestic organ at the back of the stage, which made the whole performance by André Rieu so special. The two lovely Chinese sopranos were fantastic, while the Platin Tenors proved their worth.

With the “Blue Danube” waltz, 80 professional dancing couples danced through the Hall and the Police Bagpipe Band made a stunning entrance into the Hall.

There were also some very powerful singing performances such as “Halleluja” and others.

The afternoon was completed with some Christmas songs.

All in all it was an unforgettable experience in Innaloo!!

We will do it again in July with the Maastricht Concert!!

**Ensure that you are part of the next André Rieu Show.
Henk Oorschot, Events Coordinator.**

Bingo at The Rhein-Donau Club Inc in the “Edelweis Hall”



NEERLANDIA BINGO ON WEDNESDAY.

Day Games only:

6th and 20th of February 2019.

6th and 20th of March 2019.

Game starts at 11am—Doors open at 10am.



Lunch, a bowl of soup with bun, is \$7.50, at cost. Coffee/tea/biscuits free, self help.



Bingo on Wednesday 28th of November. 28 players were competing for the money prizes.



Bingo on Wednesday 12th of December. Only 22 players because of holidays and sickness.

BINGO BULLETIN. *From your friendly Bingo Organisers.*

We had a lot of fun on the last Bingo day of the year. The free games, worth \$10, were won by **Greta van Sant, John Norder, Dirk Heistek and Henk Uyen. Lucky for them! !** The Jackpot is starting to grow again and on the last playing day it got to \$70.-. Still there. Our Bingo game has been going now for 4 years and has proven to be a great way for our Members to get together and enjoy each others company. With 37 players on our playing list we have now become the second biggest Sub-Club in Neerlandia !!!

2019 promises to be an exciting year for the Bingo, so will you join us too ? ? ?

Henk Oorschot and Louis James

For information 9256 1977

The Neerlandia Junior's Club visits Rottnest

Day-trip to Rottnest Island.



Half the group on the beach

On the 25th of November 2018 a group of about 30 enthusiastic Neerlandia Members travelled to Rottnest Island on the Rottnest Island Ferries, for a day out. The day started at the Dome Café with a drink and a bite to warm up and to fully discuss the plan for the day.

Eventually, after the refreshments and some initial exploring, the group was split into 3 sub-groups:

One group did geocaching (*Geocaching is a real-world, outdoor treasure hunting game using GPS-enabled devices.*

Participants navigate to a specific set of GPS coordinates and then attempt to find the geocache = container hidden at that location); another

group did beach Combing; and the last group was cycling around and enjoying the scenery.

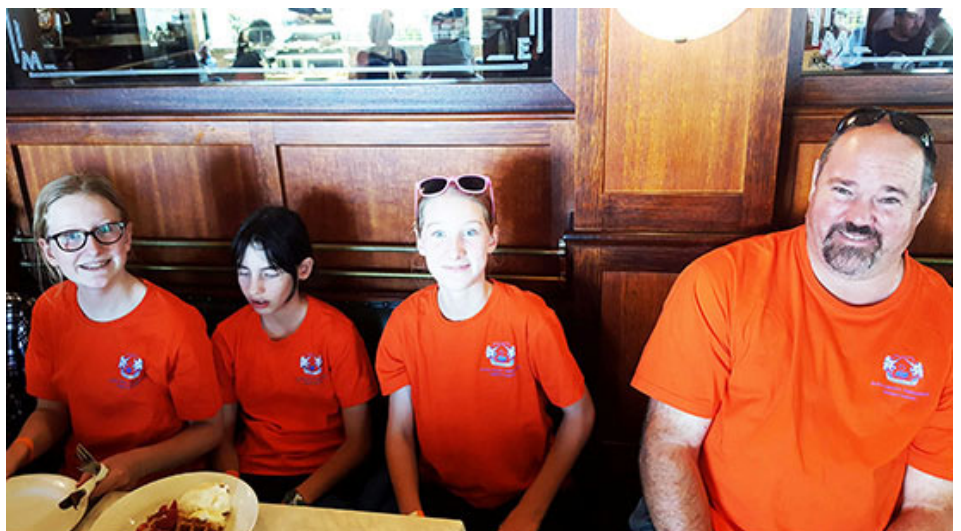
The weather was good with some occasional drizzle and it was not too hot, which made it very appropriate weather for being active.

Thanks to Neerlandia for the partial Sponsorship funding.

We are thinking of planning another Rottnest day-trip at the end of the year.

Machiel van der Stelt.

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Thursday Night Card Club Reports & News

The December Sunday Drive report.

On the 2nd of December the last Sunday Drive of the year was held. A few regular players were absent, such as Margaret and Keith, who were cruising around New Zealand. Con van der Putten was in Hospital, after a very long and risky operation. The Bakker's did not attend as Karel was also in hospital. We wish both well and a speedy recovery.

But we still had 5 tables, which resulted in an intense competition for the prizes.

On arrival, everyone had a nice cup of Coffee with a buttered slice of Weihnachtsstolle, a sign that Christmas was not all that far away.

Armanda had to go to a wedding and her assistant prepared the lunches. It was not quite up to the standard we are used to from Armanda and I will discuss the issue with her.

Thea, a non-player, looked after the washing up. Thank you Thea.

It also was the last Sunday Drive for Gerry. Thank you Gerry for all the work you have done for the Club over the past years.

The competition was completed at about 3.45pm and then the winners were announced. There was only a difference of 4 points between the 1st and 2nd placegetters, how close can it get!

The winner were:

1st prize: Gerda van Noort 6831 points

2nd prize: Murray Koedyk 6827 points

3rd prize: Piet Segers 6744points

All the regular Sunday Drive players, when they left, were given a Christmas parcel with a few goodies to enjoy during the festive season.

Pieter L and Piet S wish all the regular players and non-players, who attended our Sunday Drives, a Happy, Healthy 2019 with Luck when attending our Sunday Drives.

The next Sunday Drive will be held on Sunday the 3rd of February.

Pieter Leeftang— Pres/Sec.



The prize winners: l.t.r. Piet Segers 3rd prize; Gerda van Noort 1st prize; Murray Koedyk second prize.

The Thursday Night Card Club's competition results & Break-up Party.



On Thursday evening 13 December, the Card Club held their annual Christmas Break-up Party. But first a couple of friendly games were played until 9 pm.

Then it was a quick clean-up; the tables were put together and everyone gathered around it like a large family. A variety of nibbles was placed on the tables and everyone had received a ticket for a drink from the bar. After about an hour of socialising, Piet Segers announced the winners of our last competition.

The Klaverjas competition was won by Thijs Gorter, who pipped 2nd placegetter Piet Leeftang by 124



point, after Piet had led for most of the competition. Piet also had 33 marsen, but Freda did win the marsen prize with 27 as any one player can only win one prize.

Klaverjassen:

1st prize: Thijs Gorter 69734 points

2nd Prize: Piet Leeftang 69611 points

Marsen Prize: Bettina Tonkin 27 marsen

Average score: Elly Schenkelaars 66901 points

Bolivia Players:

Weekly Players: Ivy Chisholm

2-weekly Players: Toon Kamps

On the way out everyone receive a hefty Christmas parcel to enjoy during the holidays.

The first competition for 2019 will start on Thursday the 31st of January.

Pieter L. (L.M.)



Winners l.t.r.: Freda Marsen prize; Piet 2nd prize; Elly Average prize; Toon 2 weekly Bolivia prize; Ivy weekly Bolivia prize; Thijs 1st prize.

May a little bit of Humour light up your Day

A very important driver.



After getting all of Pope Benedict's luggage loaded into the limo, (and he doesn't travel light), the driver notices the Pope is still standing on the curb.

"Excuse me, Your Holiness," says the driver, "Would you please take your seat so we can leave?" "Well, to tell you the truth," says the Pope: "They never let me drive at the Vatican and I'd really like to drive today."

"I'm sorry, Your Holiness, but I cannot let you do that. I'd lose my job! What if something should happen," protests the driver, wishing he'd never gone to work that morning.

"Who's going to tell," says the Pope with a smile. Reluctantly, the driver gets in the back as the Pope climbs in behind the wheel. The driver quickly regrets his decision when, after exiting the airport, the Pontiff floors it, accelerating the limo to 205 kms. (Remember, the Pope is a German.)

"Please slow down, Your Holiness," pleads the worried driver, but the Pope keeps the pedal to the metal, until they hear sirens behind them.

"Oh, dear God, I'm going to lose my license -- and my job," moans the driver.



The Pope pulls over and rolls down the window as the cop approaches, but the cop takes one look at him, goes back to his patrol car and gets on the radio.

"I need to talk to the Chief," he says to the dispatcher.

The chief gets on the radio and the cop tells him that he's stopped a limo going 205 kph.

"So bust him," says the Chief.

"I don't think we want to do that, he's really important," said the cop.

The Chief exclaimed: "All the more reason!"

"No, I mean really important," said the cop with a bit of persistence.

The Chief then asked: "Who do you have there, the Mayor?"

Cop: "Bigger."

Chief: "A Senator?"

Cop: "Bigger."

Chief: "The Prime Minister?"

Cop: "Bigger."

"Well," said the Chief: "who the heck is it?"

Cop: "I think it's God!"

The Chief is even more puzzled and curious: "What makes you think it's God?"

Cop: "He's got the Pope as a chauffeur."

Two old friends.

Ross and Fred, two old friends, met in the park every day to feed the pigeons, watch the squirrels and discuss world problems.



One day, Ross didn't show up. Fred didn't think much about it and figured maybe he had a cold or something.

But after Ross hadn't shown up for a week or so, Fred really got worried.

However, since the only time they ever got together was at the park, Fred didn't know where Ross lived, so he was unable to find out what had happened to him.

A month had passed, and Fred figured he had seen the last of Ross, but one day, Fred approached the park and-- lo and behold!--there sat Ross!

Fred was very excited and happy to see him and told him so.

Then he said: 'For crying out loud Ross, what in the world happened to you?'

Ross replied: 'I have been in jail.'

'Jail,' cried Fred: "What in the world for?"

'Well,' Ross said: 'You know Sue, that cute little blonde waitress at the coffee shop where I sometimes go?'

'Yeah,' said Fred: 'I remember her, what about her?'

'Well, the little gold-digging witch figured that I was rich and she filed rape charges against me; and, at 97 years old, I was so proud, that when I got into court and I pleaded guilty.'

'The judge gave me 30 days for perjury.'



Members Birthdays & New Members

Sunday Klaverjas Drives.

Het eerstvolgende Zondag Klaverjas Tournoois worden gehouden op Zondag 3 February en op Zondag 3 Maart.

Aanvang 11.00.

Zaal open 10 uur voor Koffie met.??

Kom gezellig Klaverjassen in de leuke Karl's Bar van de RDC.

Prijzen voor de 3 winnaars.

Twee kopjes koffie met iets erbij en een goede Lunch zijn bij de toegangsprijs inbegrepen. Nieuwe Klaverjassers zijn meer dan welkom.



Kosten:

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Guests (Maximum 3 times as a non-Member) \$15.00

Non-Playing Members \$10.00

The following Members will celebrate their birthday during **the month of February 2019**. We wish them all a very **Happy Birthday!!!**

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Hazel	Potts
Harald	Chudziak
Elly	Schenkelaars
Heidy	Tiebosch
Alida	Reitzenstein
Debby	Goetschalckx
Steven	Moore
Sandra	De Lange
Henk	Broerse
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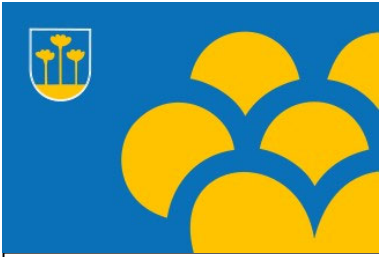
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"I've decided to teach her to talk, what harm can it do?"

The IT City of Zoetermeer



Flag and Coat of Arms of Zoetermeer.

Zoetermeer is a City and a Municipality in the Province of South Holland. It was a small Village until the late 1960s, as it had only 6,392 inhabitants in 1950.

By 2018 this had grown to 125,000, making it the third largest population centre in the province of South Holland, after Rotterdam and The Hague. .

The name Zoetermeer (Dutch for "freshwater lake") refers to the former lake, which was

reclaimed in 1614 and was situated North of the City. Because the name literally translates as "Sweet Lake", local residents have dubbed Zoetermeer "Sweet Lake City".

History:

In the tenth century, Zoetermeer was a small Settlement primarily home to farmers and fishermen. In the 13th century a Village centre was formed, which still exists as the historic "Dorpsstraat". At the Northern edge of the City is the "Zoetermeerse Plas"; this artificial lake was created when tons of sand were needed to lay the foundation for new housing development, and the area North of Zoetermeer was a good source for this product.

Until 1935 the centre was split into two Villages, Zoetermeer and Zegwaard.

Zoetermeer began to grow, when the first train service started around 1868.

However, the real growth started in 1966, when there was an urgent need for more houses outside The Hague.



Although contemporary Zoetermeer has the image of a modern City, there are still remnants of the past. Like the old Village Centre with its small houses and the Old Church, with its late medieval 15th-century clock tower (the present wooden top was built in 1642).

Lake Dobbe divides the old town from the new Town Centre, with the medieval Village Centre on one side of the lake and the modern high-rise and skyscrapers on the other side.



The Old Church.

New Town Centre:

The construction of the new Town Centre of Zoetermeer actually started only in 1981, to serve as a shopping and administrative heart of the City. It followed modern urban planning principles, placing parking garages, some storage facilities and a light-rail station on the ground level, which is covered by pedestrian- and bicycle-only area, with shops on the lower floors and apartments above them, to ensure the Town Centre does not die out outside of the business hours.

Parks:

Zoetermeer has many parks, the biggest being the "Westerpark" on the west side. It is almost as large as



Lake Dobbe and Town Hall.



New Town Centre Built above the City's traffic.

The IT City of Zoetermeer



Plenty of room for various activities in the “Balijbos” (Balijwoods) West of the City.

Central Park in New York. Other notable parks are the "Buytenpark", the "Aldo van Eyckpark", the "Binnenpark" and the "Van Tuylpark."

The "Zoetermeerse Plas". There is a beach along one side of the lake and a marina on the other. Wind- and kite surfing, sailing and fishing are the most popular activities on the lake. On both the west and east side of the City, forests are being planted, called "Balijbos" (west side) and Bentwoud (east side). These forests are intended to form a natural barrier between The Hague and Zoetermeer.

Economy:

Zoetermeer is a true IT city, with modern infrastructure, a highly digitised Centre called "het Forum" that houses City Hall, as well as many schools that offer IT-related education. Given the large number of IT companies with branches in Zoetermeer, like Siemens, which has its Dutch Tech Campus in Zoetermeer, and Toshiba Medical Systems Europe BV, it's not surprising that 20% of the population of Zoetermeer has an IT-related job.

Entertainment and Recreation:

SnowWorld.

SnowWorld was the first indoor ski slope made of real snow in Europe, opened in 1996. It now has three slopes, of which the 200-metre slope is the longest. Plans are being made to extend this to 300 metres. Since December 2016, SnowWorld attracts over a million visitors each year, making it the most important tourist attraction in Zoetermeer.

Dutch Water Dreams.

Dutch Water Dreams is an artificial Olympic wild water rafting circuit. It is a copy of the one built in China for the 2008 Olympic Games and is mainly used for training by European rafting teams, and also for team building and recreation. Dutch Water Dreams also has an indoor Flowrider Centre.

Silverdome.

Silverdome is an indoor Olympic ice skating track and convention centre. It is used as a training centre for the KNSB, the Dutch Olympic and world championship ice skaters. Outside the skating season it is used as a convention centre and concert hall and for large raves.



Mandella Bridge.



The Old Watertower.



Water rafting course “Water Dreams”. This is replica of the one used in the 2008 Olympics.

Compiled from the Internet by Pieter Leeftang.

Code-Word and Sudoku Puzzles

17	19	4	12	17	4	25		8	4	12	8	C	4	25	6
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9		15		14		3		18		24		16			20
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2	14	24	9	4	5	17		6	14	25	16	6	14	17	

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
							C				N	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

Sudoku Puzzles

The aim of the Sudoku Puzzle is to insert numbers 1-9 in the each row and column, but each 3x3 box must also contain a complete set of numbers 1-9.

Sudoku - Easy #39

7			3				5	
	3		2	9		8		
			4		8			3
	4	1	5			6		9
6			7					
		5		4	6	2		
		8			7		4	
	1	3		5				8
5	2			3		1		

Sudoku - Moderate #39

3		5	6	4	8			1
2	1							4
				2				
	3		8					6
1	9		5		6		7	
		4				8	9	
			7			4		
	4			1	9			
	5	3			2	7		

CODEBREAKER PUZZLE

A Codebreaker is a crossword puzzle with no clues! Every letter of the alphabet has been replaced by a number.

For this puzzle the **first two** letters are revealed. Start with entering these letters throughout the puzzle and then start guessing your first word or letter. Use a pencil to start, then if it does not work out, you can erase it and start again.

Some letters, e.g. the letters E and A and S occur more often than others e.g. the letter X or Z.

The last Codebreaker was not quite as difficult as last month.

You had to find the words:

Feminine, Reigning and Ignominy, before you were on your way to solve it.

The letter codes for last month's Codebreaker was as follows:

A=3; B=25; C=23; D=4; E=9; F=21; G=5; H=26; I=18; J=6; K=8; L=24; M=17; N=14; O=22; P=11; Q=19; R=10; S=7; T=2; U=15; V=13; W=12; X=1; Y=16; Z=20.

Last month's Easy Sudoku 38 solution.

5	1	3	4	6	8	2	7	9
8	4	9	5	7	2	1	3	6
6	2	7	3	9	1	8	4	5
9	5	8	7	1	4	3	6	2
1	3	2	6	8	9	4	5	7
7	6	4	2	3	5	9	8	1
2	7	1	8	4	6	5	9	3
3	8	5	9	2	7	6	1	4
4	9	6	1	5	3	7	2	8

Last month's Moderate Sudoku 38 solution.

1	2	3	7	9	5	8	4	6
7	4	6	8	1	2	5	9	3
5	8	9	3	6	4	2	7	1
2	3	1	5	4	9	6	8	7
4	5	8	1	7	6	9	3	2
6	9	7	2	3	8	1	5	4
8	6	2	4	5	7	3	1	9
9	1	4	6	8	3	7	2	5
3	7	5	9	2	1	4	6	8

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